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1. AT AIRPORT CEREMONY JUNE 8 ON ARRIVAL SAUDI CROWN PRINCE FAHD FOR SHORT VISIT TO KUWAIT LOCAL EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR SOUGHT ME OUT AND SAID USG WILL BE PLEASED TO KNOW GOK FINMIN HAD ARRIVED KUWAIT PREVIOUS DAY AND WAS SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH GOK FINMIN ATEEQI JUNE 9. ACCORDING AMBASSADOR, IT NOW SEEMS CERTAIN KUWAIT WILL EXTEND SUBSTANTIAL BUT STILL UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT FINANCIAL AID TO EGYPT. HE SAID HE WANTED TO PERSONALLY EXPRESS HIS GRATITUDE FOR USG SUPPORT. I TOLD AMBASSADOR I WOULD PASS HIS REMARKS ON TO WASHINGTON.

2. IN SIMILAR VIEN, ESSA AL-HAMAD (CHIEF POLITICAL DEPARTMENT GOK MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND KUWAIT'S AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO FRANCE) TOLD ME DURING TOUR D'HORIZON JUNE 7 THAT GOK WAS AWARE OF AND GRATEFUL AND IMPRESSED BY USG EFFORTS TO HELP EGYPT. SUCH ACTION, COMBINED WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER'S MORE FLEXIBLE APPROACH TO ENERGY AND RAW MATERIALS PROBLEMS, HAD NOT GONE UNNOTICED IN KUWAIT.

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